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SUBJECT:ALTERNATIVE ROUTING FOR NASA AIRCRAFT

REFS: (A) ATHENS 1291; (B) ROME 2385

1. IF STAGING NOT POSSIBLE FROM GREECE, NASA COULD BASE
FROM BRINDISI (FIRST CHOICE) OR NAPLES (SECOND CHOICE).
REFUEL STOP AT CATANIA ALSO REQUIRED.

2. APPROXIMATE OPERATING AREAS FROM ITALIAN BASES BOUNDED
AS FOLLOWS: 41 DEGREES NORTH, 14 DEGREES EAST TO 43 DE-
GREES NORTH, 15 DEGREES EAST, TO 39 DEGREES 30 MINUTES
NORTH, 20 DEGREES EAST TO 37 DEGREES NORTH, 20

DEGREES EAST TO 38 DEGREES NORTH, 16 DEGREES EAST AND BACK

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TO STARTING POINT.

3. AREA CONTAINS SEVERAL RESTRICTED FLYING SPACES PARTICULARLY LI R 76. NASA WILLING TO FLY AT 35,000 FEET TO AVOID ALTITUDE LIMITATION IF THERE ARE NO CLOUDS ABOVE 35,000. GENERAL RANGE OF FLIGHT ALTITUDE 35,000 TO 43,000 FEET. NORMAL OPERATIONS AT 44,000 FEET.

4. PER REF B, AIRCRAFT CAN UTILIZE COMMERCIAL EQUIVALENT OF

JP-4, WHICH WE UNDERSTAND TO BE JET FUEL-A NOT JP-1 WHICH WE DID NOT KNOW WAS STILL BEING PRODUCED. PLEASE CLARIFY.

5. CREW WILL CARRY REQUIRED PRIST.

6. HANGAR FACILITIES FOR REFUELING OPERATIONS NOT REQUIRED.

7. CIAMPINO IS ACCEPTABLE ALTERNATE FOR FIUMICINO.

8. PLEASE AMEND CLEARANCE REQUEST AND ASCERTAIN FROM ITALIAN OFFICIALS IF, AS BACK-UP, STAGING RIGHTS COULD BE OBTAINED FROM EITHER BRINDISI OR NAPLES REFUELING AT CATANIA AND AVAILABILITY OF REQUIRED FUEL AND EQUIPMENT. KISSINGER

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